



Operations Avoided

Hospitals in our great cities are sad places to visit.

Three-fourths of the patients lying on those snow-white beds are women and girls.

Why should this be the case? Because they have neglected themselves.

Every one of these patients in the hospital beds had plenty of warning in that bearing-down feeling, pain at the left or right of the womb, nervous exhaustion, pain in the small of the back. All of these things are indications of an unhealthy condition of the ovaries or womb.

What a terrifying thought! These poor souls are lying there on those hospital beds awaiting a fearful operation.

Do not drag along at home or in your place of employment until you are obliged to go to the hospital and submit to an examination and possible operation. Build up the female system, cure the derangements which have signified themselves by danger signals, and remember that **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound** has saved thousands of women from the hospital. Read the letters here published with the full consent of the writers, and see how they escaped the knife by a faithful reliance on Mrs. Pinkham's advice and the consistent treatment of

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

READ THE FOLLOWING LETTERS:

"I was taken sick very suddenly July 13th with severe cramps, or pains. I summoned a doctor and was in bed a week lying on my back all the time. The pains left me very sore. In a few weeks I was feeling better but was soon taken sick again with those pains and had another doctor. This one said I had neuralgia pains of the stomach and ovaries. He injected morphine and eased me again, but I remained sore and weak from the pains and continued to flow for one month and three days without stopping for one day.

"The doctors wanted to scrape the womb, saying the lining was inflamed. I had a pain at times in my right ovary and felt weak nearly all the time. Am only twenty years old, never was sick until this sickness in July. Menses never lasted more than four days and never an ache or a pain.

"I began the use of **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound** and soon was feeling better. I am now well and strong again. Your medicine has relieved me of the pain in my side and stopped my flowing which the doctors could not do.

"I feel very grateful to you and can recommend your medicine to all suffering women."—**LUCILLE A. GAINES**, 2348 Pine St., St. Louis, Mo.

"I suffered with female trouble for over eight years, had womb trouble and painful menstruation. Have been under the care of doctors who said I would have to submit to an operation before I could be cured. I suffered everything.

"One day I picked up a paper and noticed your advertisement and a testimonial from a friend I knew, stating your medicine had cured her so I thought I would try it. I told my husband I would give up all doctors and try your medicine. I began using your medicine just two months ago and cannot say enough on its praise. Menstruation comes freely now without pain.

"**Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound** has brought health, joy and happiness to me. My advice to all suffering women is to try your **Vegetable Compound**."—**Mrs. FRED McNAUGHTON**, Box 401, Breckenridge, Minn.

\$5000 FORFEIT If we cannot forthwith produce the original letters and signatures of above testimonials, which will prove their absolute genuineness. **Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass.**



PROPOSED TO GIRL ON THE SABBATH

Defendant for Breach of Promise a Minister Sets Up Queer Defense.

WARRISTOWN, Pa., May 12.—Argument on the demurrer filed by the Rev. Edgar J. Heilmann of the Wynmoo Lutheran church, in the \$1000 breach of promise suit against Miss Blanch Gertrude Keck of Altoona, was made in court this afternoon. The suit was instituted last October by Miss Keck, who asserts that she suffers in wounded feelings and socially by the Rev. Heilmann refusing to consummate his marriage. The suit is resisted by Pastor Heilmann through his attorneys upon the legal technicality that the contract or promise was first made on Christmas day, 1901, which came upon Sunday, and is therefore invalid, and that all subsequent promises were but the culmination of this original invalid promise. The plaintiff produced evidence showing that on September 19, 1901, the defendant solemnly promised to marry her before June, 1903, and as evidence of the latter declaration has an engagement ring given by the defendant. The month of October, 1902, and but a few weeks after the ring-giving declaration, Miss Keck first noticed a cooling in her admirer's love, when he insisted that all letters be returned or burned, and she complied. Then his visits became more rare and finally ceased. Pastor Heilmann is said to have the moral support of his congregation in his refusal to marry Miss Keck. This decision is a sentimental one, based upon practical experience in the ministry. The time he made the proposal he was a student at Muhlenberg college, at Altoona, when he was young and immature in the affairs of life. Later he says he realized that Miss Keck had not the education nor training to fulfill the place of a minister's wife and it would be better for both to separate.

BREAK IN SPINE CAN BE MENDED

Wife Used to Stitch a Broken Backbone of Man. Together.

NEW YORK, May 12.—A broken back may be mended, say physicians at the Polytechnic hospital. If William O'Donnell, who is now in the hospital with a fracture of the spine in the lumbar region, received a street car accident, survives the shock of the injury, the doctors say, they will repair the break in his spine. The fracture is between the twelfth and thirteenth thoracic vertebrae, and causes a total paralysis of the lower limbs. It will be necessary in the operation to bare the vertebrae and stitch the broken parts together with silver wire. They will be braced together, so that the pressure is taken off the spinal cord, and the cause of the paralysis removed. O'Donnell is now in a critical condition from the immediate shock of the accident.

BITE OF A DOG CAUSES DEATH

Victim Succumbs to Attack of Rabies Three Years After Being Bitten by Canine.

NEW YORK, May 12.—Henry Morris Lisle Royce, a young metal polisher of No. 197 Powers street, Williamsburg, died at the Eastern District hospital under such peculiar conditions that the surgeons and Coroner Williams are inclined to believe the story told by the mother that it has been the second death in her family in three years from hydrophobia.

According to the story of Royce's wife he was taken with convulsions during the afternoon and later made sounds that resembled a dog's bark. He frothed at his mouth and was in agony. His wife and the neighbors could not restrain him and called Dr. Shanks of the Eastern District hospital. He found Royce lying under the bed, unconscious, his body appearing to be racked by terrible convulsions. He hurried Royce to the hospital, where he died fifteen minutes later. Royce's mother told this story.

Seven years ago her daughter Madge was bitten by a dog. It was not until four years later that she was taken with convulsions and symptoms similar to those which killed Royce yesterday afternoon. She died within a few hours. Several months later Royce was bitten

by a dog, and the family, in view of their terrible experience, took great precautions against hydrophobia. When the mother heard of the manner of her son's death she was positive that the same disease that had carried off her daughter was responsible for his death. The surgeons were astounded at the story. They say Royce, according to witnesses, exhibited every symptom of hydrophobia.

BLOOD POISON DUE TO FISH BITE

While Taking Pickrel From Hook Angler Is Wounded and Death Results.

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 12.—Blood poisoning, which developed from a fish bite, caused the death in a hospital here of John E. Beckman of Amery. Wm. Beckman received his wound on Sunday while trying to take a pickrel off a hook.

No Sport on Campus.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., May 12.—University of Pennsylvania coeds who want to play baseball hereafter must do so elsewhere than on the college campus. This was the decision reached today by the university authorities, and the bursar notified the police to break up all such games.

CRAFTERS ARE RUN DOWN AT LAST

Former New York Policeman Has Revealed Secrets Which Will Cause Several Arrests.

NEW YORK, May 12.—Rudolph Beyers, a former policeman now serving a six-months' sentence in the penitentiary for taking money from police candidates, has made a statement, it is asserted, in which he gives the names of the influential persons through whom candidates were secured positions in the police and fire departments by the use of money. Beyers, it is said, corroborated in detail a statement made to the District Attorney by E. A. Sonner, who is serving a short sentence on charges similar to those against the ex-policeman. A vigorous investigation is being

made and arrests are expected in the near future. According to the statement, "the man higher up" who received the bulk of the money collected for jobs in the fire department is one of the best-known men in town and held office under the city government for several years.

One of the men influential in the police department is said to have been formerly a high official, while the other is still in office.

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JUST HOT AIR, NO ANARCHISTIC PLOT

Alleged Conspiracy in Vienna to Blow Up Russian Fortress Has No Foundation.

VIENNA, May 12.—Nothing is known here of the reports, published in the United States yesterday, of the alleged discoveries of an anarchist conspiracy to blow up Russian fortresses and military depots, a plot against the life of M. Von Plehwe, the Russian Minister of the Interior, or a plot against the life of the Russian Emperor. Possibly the reports originated in the vague rumors of anarchist plots which were circulated here last week, and which have since been contradicted.

All Will Recover but One.
LOS ANGELES, May 12.—Of the twenty-three persons who were injured in yesterday's collision at Los Nietos between a Santa Fe passenger train and a Pacific electric trolley-car, it is believed all will recover, with the possible exception of Mrs. O. L. Jordan of Whittier, who sustained severe internal injuries and is in a critical condition.

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